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Trias | Jura | Cret

Mesa Verde
Mancos
Dakota
Morrison
Bluff
Entrada
Navaho

CENOZOIC

Ghost
Ranch

Mesa
Verde

Monu.
Valley

Arches

Friday May 3

Saturday May 4

Santa Fe in the AM

Drove down R14 - back road

to Mt Manzano St Park

Nice campground - excellent nature trail

Sunday May 5

Stayed at Manzano couple of hours

Then south to Valley of Fire

Spectacular lava flows - black, twisted, contorted - startling red flowers - total ~~cactus~~ yucca

Monday May 6

All morning getting the MG fixed - batteries and tire

ate lunch in a restaurant

Drove to White Sands - a dazzling place!

walked up the dune in bare feet

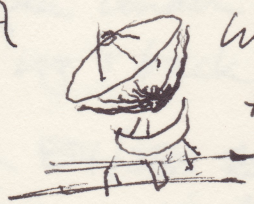
Tuesday May 7

drove north on 25 - stopped at
Caballo St Park - big dam on Rio Grande
and Elephant Butte for lunch
continue north on 25 - scrubby countryside

Wednesday May 8

Early start from Datil Well –

drive to VLA



wonderful!

At first they looked so small

And then they looked so BIG!

Rangeland - the cattle graze among the antennae

Hyde Mem State Park 8200'

Steep road - stream bubbling alongside - high from rain

nice campsites living road - Ponderosa Aspen Fir

thursday 7 may

drove to the end of the road - top of the mountain
great fields of aspen tender green and - snow (2,000ft
beautiful drive up + back - 15 miles ~~to~~ from downtown
S.F

drove north on 84/285 Espanola - grocery + gas stop -
detour to Chimayo - visited one weaver + then lunched
at Rancho de Chimayo

Stop at Ghost ranch - US Forest Service
mesozoic outcrop

Coelophysis
AMNH

Chama 8200 ft
good campground Mt. (?) 11,500
magpies

Friday 10 May

West to ~~Arizona~~ - Shiprock
then Mesa Verde - spectacular but difficult drive
20 miles to museum - drove all the overlooks
instead of walking down.

Mesa Verde campground NPS

Sat 11 May

drove back to four corners + off to Navaho Tribal Park - Monument Valley

{ Ute Mt - intrusive
{ Mesa Verde block - backside

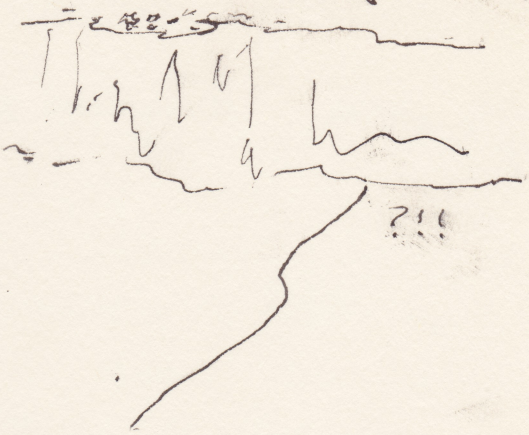
drive thru Navajo grazing land - sheep goats
endlessly flat with red mesas

grey green + yellow green mounds on red ground - Navaholand
red reflection on underside of puffy clouds

campground -
AM - walked up to highest ledge of base of butte

Sun 12 May

drove thru Mexican Hat & then up an amazing 1100 ft scarp of Jurassic SS




Natural Bridges - NPS

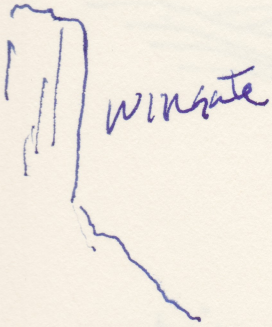
drove the Loop Trail in the rain
took one trail walk

camped among juniper trees in rain

13 May Monday –

Blanding Utah - groceries

Needles Overlook - BLM



metallic green beetles on willow –

along side of Rt 128 out of Moab
wonderful isolated spot - high SS cliffs burnished in the setting sun - the Colorado rolling by –

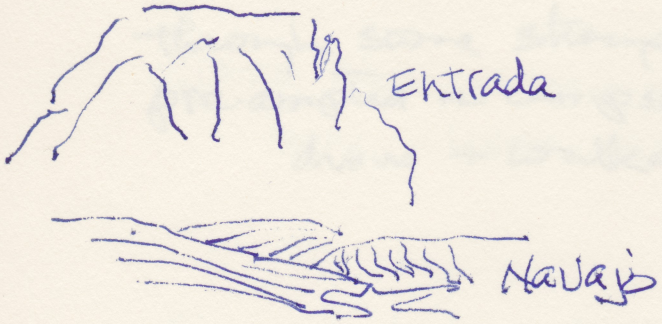
14 May Tuesday

Took pictures + wandered around enjoying the place

Into Moab - gas, propane ----

Up to Arches NP to secure campsite - lovely peaceful quiet

Toured Arches -




nice campsite - open, but with great knobby monoliths all around

15 May Wednesday

Took a 20 minute walk at arches which turned out to be 1½ hours - beautiful - ~~fet~~ felt moved by the great expanse of space and the little bits of beauty everywhere -

Drove to Green River - gas

on to Hanksville - lunch - a deserted town ?!

through some strange country to ~~Castle~~ Capitol Reef NP

pre-emptied a campsite + drove thru the park

drove + walked thru Capitol gorge

Thursday 16 May

Goosneck overlook before leaving C.R.

gas + few groceries in Torrey (petrified wood)

High plateau - 9000+ aspens just greening + some snow

Anasazi Village - State of Utah

originally excavated by Univ. of Utah

very nice presentation

drove thru incredible countryside - high steep bare slopes - green valley farms

Quick look at Bryce

Dixie Nat. For

US Forest Service campground - Red Rock Canyon

red rocks + ponderosa pines near 8000'

Wasatch

Friday 17 May

Short trip for groceries + gas - Panguitch
up the Sevier Valley + down the E. Fork of Virgen
the former broad green + very meandering
the latter steeply plunging into Zion
near the divide stopped at Fisher's rock shop — bought 2 eggs
then the magnificent drive into ZION - towering
cliffs of red + white Navajo SS - great swirling walls
of x bedding. Took a walk up ZION Canyon. On
a pavement yet - but even so breath taking in more
ways than one - Hanging Gardens - the ultimate in
a rock garden - plants growing out of the seep moist-
ened rock wall along with travertine -

camped among cotton woods, box elders, ash? and
? NPS - 140± campsites - nice. Zion is
distinctive with its severe red walls and
valleys full of green trees

Saturday 18 May

Walked past an 8 or 9 car airstream caravan
"Nevada Unit of Wally Byam Caravan" - shining in with flags

quick trip to Grafton - ghost town - Mormon farmers wiped out by Indians + the flooding Virgin R

Stopped in Springdale to do laundry

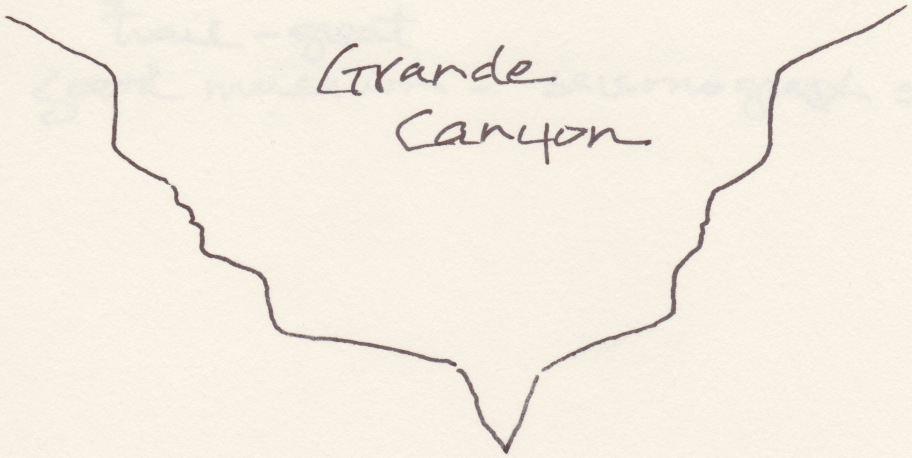
and then out thru that magnificent Road thru Zion's

Relaxing afternoon + evening at ~~Utah~~ Pink Coral State Park. 22 camping sites on a sagebrush + juniper plain of sand which piles up into great dunes. (yellow not Pink). Distant cliffs of Navajo ss.

The big thing here is dune buggies on the sand dunes - SO many HONDAS and young people

Utah dept of Parks + Energy

Sunday May 19




Desert View campground - NPS
nice - many flowers, sand, ~~the~~ Pinon + juniper

Monday 20 May

Stopped at Wupatki - 800 year old ruins

and Sunset Crater N.M.

perfect cinder cone - walked along cinder trail - great

good museum - seismograph station

Coconino National Forest - Bonito campground

7000' Ponderosas again!

Tuesday 21 May

museum of Northern Arizona
Excellent

petrified forest
drove through in the rain

N.M. State park east of Gallup
rainbow!

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